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Enclosed herewith is a certified copy each of Japanese Patent Application No. **2000-079027** filed **March 21, 2000**, from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119 and Rule 55b. Acknowledgement of the priority documents is respectfully requested to ensure that the subject information appears on the printed patent.

Respectfully submitted,

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